

Claims:

1. A dispenser comprising a container for liquid or other material to be dispensed, the container being of a collapsible form, and a holder for at least partially enclosing the container, wherein the holder has a resiliently-biased part for engagement with the container for resisting collapse of the container.

2. A dispenser according to Claim 1 wherein the resiliently-biased part projects into a part of the container to engage the container as aforesaid.

3. A dispenser according to Claims 1 or Claim 2 wherein the container has an external shoulder, and the holder has one or more projections for abutment with the shoulder in retaining the container within the holder.

4. A dispenser according to any one of Claims 1 to 3 wherein a hand-operable pump is carried by the holder for drawing off liquid or other material contained by the container.

5. A hand-squeezable dispenser comprising a container for liquid or other material to be dispensed, the container being compressible for dispensing the liquid or other material therefrom, and a holder for at least partially enclosing a compressible or otherwise collapsible container of liquid or other dispensable material, wherein the holder has a resiliently-biased part which is squeezable by hand onto the container against the resilient bias for compressing the container from its uncompressed condition, and which is for engagement with the container to return the container towards its uncompressed condition under the action of the resilient bias when squeezing is relaxed.

6. A dispenser according to Claim 1 or Claim 5 wherein the container has an external pocket-part and the resiliently-

biased part extends into the pocket-part for engagement with the container as aforesaid.

7. A dispenser according to any one of Claims 1, 5 and 6 wherein the resiliently-biased part comprises a limb of the holder having a slide that is operable selectively for extension into or retraction from engagement as aforesaid with the container.

8. A dispenser according to Claim 7 wherein the limb is one of two resiliently-biased limbs of the holder which extend either side of the container.

9. A dispenser according to Claim 8 wherein both limbs engage the container as aforesaid.

10. A dispenser according to Claim 9 wherein both limbs engage in respective pocket-parts of the container.

11. A dispenser according to any one of Claims 8 to 10 wherein each limb has a ridge-projection for abutment with a respective shoulder-part of the container in retaining the container within the holder.

12. A dispenser according to any one of Claims 1 to 11 wherein the holder includes a member that is selectively movable between a first condition in which it is clear of an outlet of the container and a second condition in which it is engaged with the outlet, and wherein an interlock between the resiliently-biased part and the member precludes movement of the member into its second condition while the resiliently-biased part is disengaged from engagement as aforesaid with the container.

13. A dispenser according to Claim 12 wherein the engagement of the member with the outlet is such that the outlet is closed while the member is in its second condition.

14. A holder for combination with a compressible or otherwise collapsible container of liquid or other dispensable material in providing a dispenser of such material with the container at least partially enclosed by the holder, wherein the holder has a resiliently-biased part that is engageable with the container for resisting collapse of the container.

15. A holder according to Claim 14 wherein the resiliently-biased part comprises a limb of the holder having a slide that is operable selectively for extension or retraction from the limb.

16. A holder according to Claim 15 wherein the limb is one of two limbs for straddling and engaging the container.

17. A holder according to Claim 16 wherein the two limbs are splayed out resiliently from one another from an interconnecting top-section of the holder.

18. A holder according to Claim 17 wherein the top-section has a cap or lid that covers an aperture in the top-section, the cap or lid is selectively movable between an open condition in which it is clear of the aperture and a closed condition in which it covers the aperture, and wherein an interlock between the slide and the cap or lid precludes movement of the cap or lid into its closed condition while the slide is retracted.

19. A holder according to Claim 17 or Claim 18 wherein each limb has a ridge-projection located between the limbs adjacent the top-section.

20. A holder according to any one of Claims 16 to 19 wherein the limbs are substantially-flat plates.